

The Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training is pleased to announce a pilot presentation of a recently developed public safety dispatcher in-service training course:

## Best Practices in Public Safety Communications: Focusing on Professionalism in the Public Eye

This course is designed to instill a desire in the learner to reach and maintain the highest level of professional job performance possible, as well as enhance personal communication skills which contribute to the delivery of consistently exemplary public service. The course extends beyond the basics of an ethics course through the critical examination of real-world incidents which have profoundly impacted law enforcement officers, public safety communications personnel, and public safety agencies in both positive and negative ways. Students will be presented with real-world problems which will compel them to critically evaluate their role in public safety communications support, including how their handling of incidents, both as call-takers and radio dispatchers, can directly influence the outcome of a public safety response. Additional topics include an examination of foundational ethical and character-based principles associated with public service; discussion of communication-related issues and problems; and a review of fundamental risk management concepts – including the adequacy of training, supervision, peer support, and quality assurance efforts.

## **Course Date and Location:**

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 1466 Humboldt Road, Chico, California (Behind the Chico Police Department Main Facility) (530) 896-7200 (Administrative Line)

There is no cost for this course. Travel and per diem reimbursement will be available by the regular Training Reimbursement Request (TRR) process under POST Plan IV. Attendance is strictly limited to 30 students. As a result, the number of seats available to individual agencies may be limited. Spots in the course may be secured either by e-mail request or by returning the enrollment slip incorporated into this form. A waiting list will be established if necessary. There are a variety of hotels in the area which routinely extend a state government room rate. No hotel rooms have been secured by POST for this event. POST recommends that you avoid making travel arrangements though Internet service providers, as refunds can be difficult or impossible if cancellations become necessary.

<u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>: Questions regarding this program should be directed to POST Associate Governmental Program Analyst Kathy Hobson at (916) 227-3911 or <a href="mailto:kathy.hobson@post.ca.gov">kathy.hobson@post.ca.gov</a>, or to POST Senior Consultant Lou Madeira at (916) 531-7834 or <a href="mailto:lou.madeira@post.ca.gov">lou.madeira@post.ca.gov</a>.

	ENROLLMENT FORM (Best Practices: Focusing on Professionalism in the Public Eye)  Wednesday, April 18, 2012 – Chico Police Department
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